Work on strategically significant roads in Rajasthan

†2277. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether while identifying strategically significant roads in Rajasthan, funds have been allotted for their construction;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the above identified roads alongwith length of each road, sanctioned amount, amount provided, time-frame for completion of work and present status of the work;

(d) whether the above work of road construction is being carried out with the help of some other department/Ministry; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Seven number of strategic roads in the State of Rajasthan are with Border Roads Organization (BRO). During financial year 2007-08, Rs. 48.55 crore have been allotted against sanctioned works on these roads and expenditure of Rs. 29.78 crore has been incurred upto February 2008 as detailed below:—

(*Rs. in Lakh*)

Sl. No.	Name of road	Length in Km.	Cost of work	Funds allotted during 2007-08	Probable date of completion	Present status of work
1	Gandhav-Bakasar	68	5135	372.67	March 2013	Work in progress
2	Dhorimana-Dhanav	32	2277	346.17	March 2010	Work in progress
3	Jaisalmer-Ramgarh	65	5640	920.67	March 2012	Work in progress
4	Shivpur-Sewai-Madhopur-Makrana-Nokhamandi	633	56347	44.70	March 2018	Work in progress
5	Abu-Sanchore	140	11729	639.00	March 2015	Work in progress
6	Jodhpur bypass	43.60	6173	1021.81	March 2009	Work in progress
7	Sridungargarh-Jasrasar-Nokhamandi	150	11778	1509.63	March 2016	Work in progress
	G/TOTAL:	1131.6	99079	4854.65		

(d) and (e) The above strategic roads works are being executed by BRO.

Distribution of cess for road construction

†2278. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that cess per litre is charged on petrol and high speed diesel to mobilize funds for road construction projects and it is distributed to different departments related to road construction;

(b) if so, the details of cess received and distributed during last three financial years alongwith current financial year, year-wise;

(c) whether there is a complaint that this distribution is not being made as per the provisions of Central Road Fund Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to Section 4 of the Central Road Fund Act, 2000 the proceeds of the cess is credited to the Consolidated Fund of India. The proceeds credited to the Central Road Fund by the Central Government is utilized for the development of National highways, rural roads, state roads, road over/under bridges over the Railway and erection of Safety works at un-manned rail-road level crossings. The details of cess credited and distributed through the Central Road Fund during last three financial years alongwith current financial year, year-wise are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Distribution of Cess Fund

(*Rs. in crore*)

Year	Ministry of Railways	Ministry of Rural Development	Ministry of Road Transport & Highways	Total
2004-05	401.00	2148.00	2812.00	5361.00
2005-06	710.81	3809.50	4975.69	9496.00
2006-07	710.86	3725.62	8113.52	12550.00
2007-08	724.69	3825.00	8280.31	12830.00
GRAND TOTAL:	2547.36	13508.12	24181.52	40237.00

Strengthening Works under NHDP

2279. SHRI HARISH RAWAT:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is not sanctioning the strengthening works under